

NG AH, THE ONLY CHINESE ACTRESS IN THE WORLD.

Her Favorite Role That of the Dowager Empress — New York's
Chinatowns Excited Over the Feminine Novelty.



THE ONLY CHINESE ACTRESS IN THE WORLD, DRESSED AS THE EMPRESS.

New York, March 12.—With never so much as a line in advance from the press agents a new star has appeared in the theatrical galaxy.

This new star hails from the Orient, and her name is Ng Ah. If her manager had the proper idea of advertising values he would not be able to find type big enough to tell his public about her, for Ng Ah is the only Chinese actress in the world.

But it is by no means the manager's fault that all of San Francisco's Chinatown is agog over this very new thing in Chinese theatricals, for the little red posters with their black scratches, which are posted on the alley walls and telegraph poles in the Chinese quarter have not grown an inch since Ng Ah came.

In China a woman would not be allowed to act, and even in the miniature China of San Francisco the almond-eyed citizens look askance at one who dares override the custom of some thousands of years; but all the same, the benches of the theater are full night after night when the new star is on the bill, and the pig-tailed Johnnies stare their eyes almost to a level when the calico curtain at the back of the stage parts and Ng Ah comes rocking forward on her little boatlike shoes and in all the glory of her gorgeously embroidered and jeweled robes.

To be sure, there is no applause for a Chinese audience is about the temperature of the Arctic circle. But what matter? There is the connection of the box office, and while the audience sits silent on the benches the manager walks around, near the door with a face that beams like a moon at the full, and to Ng Ah the jungle of safety on the stage is a most pleasing hand patted and cheer.

Ng Ah is not a beauty, even by Chinese standards, but before a tiny cracked mirror in her dressing-room, which is also the dressing-room of all the actors, she looks at her face with black in perfect arches, brightens her cheeks with carmine and puts a smudge of red on the center of each lip with all the careful art of make-up known to stage folk.

Among the actors Ng Ah is quite the "good fellow," and in the dingy room behind the stage, hung with embroidered robes, grotesque masks, weapons of every

Chinese age, and all the paraphernalia of the stage, faintly discernible by the dim lamplight, there is a lively chatter, with Ng Ah always the center of attraction.

Her favorite character is that of the Chinese Empress, in a play that lasts too many weeks to know the entire plot—if, indeed, there is a plot. But there is one scene that gives Ng Ah a chance to do some real acting, and she proves herself equal to the task. It is where the Emperor's son by another wife has been sentenced to death, and the mother of the boy comes to beg his life from the father. She is but a plain-looking woman, poor soul, and is a man acting the part, at that—and whenever she tries to approach the Emperor the favorite, splendidly arrayed and with all the witchery of a jealous woman can bring to bear, bars the way, now she fans him, whirling and cajoling him the while, or holds her loose sleeve before his face, so that he cannot so much as see the modestly-clad and humble figure at his feet, and when at last the mother, driven to desperation, allows the favorite to draw her into a war of fans, she cleverly contrives to make the suppliant's fan strike the royal person.

Such a crime as this is past all forgiveness, and the offending mother is hurried from the scene, and the triumph of her heartless rival is complete. The band sets up its squeaking, rattling, clanging din, and the actors walk calmly off the stage, others coming in at once to continue the play, while a couple of stage hands bring to the front a boxlike affair with two small calico curtains tied back to present a view of a house, or place a table and chair in the center of the stage to represent another scene.

Often there will be two or three hours between Ng Ah's scenes, and then she flings off her outer finery and climbs in the American hair to the glory of the United States Army at Jefferson Barracks. Since his desertion he says he has been living at Memphis. He says he has served four years in the army, and has been something of a satisfactory.

Charged With Desertion.
Charles King, 22 years of age, of Birmingham, N. Y., was arrested at Seventh and Market streets early yesterday morning on a charge of deserting from the United States Army at Jefferson Barracks. Since his desertion he says he has been living at Memphis. He says he has served four years in the army, and has been something of a satisfactory.

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ther's Fred Wilson's sister. She said she intended to take the children to Kansas City, where their father would care for them.

AMERICAN FARMER SAYS HE IS HEIR TO THRONE OF SERBIA.

Minnesotan Pretender Is a Descendant of Milos Obrenovitch — King Peter Said to Be Looking for Opportunity to Abdicate.

A writer in the St. James Gazette, in discussing the rumors that King Peter would like to let go because he is disappointed with his people, says the world contains a lot of pretenders to the throne who do not really pretend because they prefer to keep on the throne, and had Dame Fortune made her Queen of Serbia she would have graced the throne of that country of social and political confusion with as much dignity as many of the happy and unhappy rulers of Europe.

The mother of John Boyne lives in a modest little cottage among the evergreens and jackpines near Rum River, a few miles from Princeton, Minn. She is 84 years old, but for one of her age is apparently hale and hearty. Small of stature and with her shrunken form bent with infirmities of old age, she still shows that she was in her youth a comely woman, for one of her eyes, and had Dame Fortune made her Queen of Serbia she would have graced the throne of that country of social and political confusion with as much dignity as many of the happy and unhappy rulers of Europe.

She did not know her husband's name, and when the child grew up he received the family record, which in time went to August, who kept it in his hands. When he returned to Serbia he took the Bible with him, but the book and all the records were lost, as they disappeared when he died in Belgrade.

WANTED PART OF FORTUNE.
He had no idea of attempting to regain his royal rights other than a portion of the fortune which was due him. He wrote his wife from Belgrade after his arrival. In a few weeks she received word through the American Consul that her husband was dead. Subsequent events proved that he had been assassinated.

Residents of Princeton well remember Boyne. He had a common education, and was by trade a cabinetmaker. The farm his wife now occupies was purchased by him. The son of old John Boyne, who the writer in the St. James Gazette asserts is more nearly the direct heir to the throne than all other pretenders, lives a short distance from Princeton and near the home of his mother. Though he stoutly maintains his heirship to the throne now held by Peter Karageorgevitch, he is not worrying over the situation.

According to authentic accounts, Boyne's grandfather, when a mere child, was rescued during an invasion of the Turks by being carried by his nurse into a field and hidden, he being the only member of the family to escape. The child was taken to Saxony, where he was brought up and in time married and raised a family. August John's father being the only son. It appears that the Turks wiped out the royal family from which the Boyne descended, and John's grandfather preferred to remain in peace in Saxony rather than to fight for the insecure throne of his native country.

The nurse who rescued the grandfather also carried with her the family Bible and records, and when the child grew up he received the family record, which in time went to August, who kept it in his hands. When he returned to Serbia he took the Bible with him, but the book and all the records were lost, as they disappeared when he died in Belgrade.

TOOK CHILDREN TO FATHER.
Eva and Vernia Lorraine said to be in Kansas City.

Mrs. Dora Lorraine of No. 124 Sidney street reported to Lieutenant Stack Friday that her daughters, Eva, 10 years old, and Vernia, aged 6, had disappeared. Special Officer Scherman was detailed on the case. He found that the children had been taking their meals at the home of an aunt, Mrs. Ida Lorraine, No. 315 South Eleventh street.

Mrs. Ida Lorraine informed the detective that on Thursday a woman giving her name as Mrs. Anna Wilson, a physician of No. 1023 Grand avenue, Kansas City, had called at her home and taken the children away, saying she was their father's Fred Wilson's sister. She said she intended to take the children to Kansas City, where their father would care for them.

The mother of the children says she was married to Wilson, but obtained a divorce, the custody of the children and \$500 alimony from him in the Sullivan County Court, November 23, 1901. She will make every effort to regain possession of the children.

DOHERTY WINS \$600 PRIZE AND CUP AT MONTE CARLO.
SPECIAL BY CABLE TO THE NEW YORK HERALD AND THE ST. LOUIS REPUBLIC.
Monte Carlo, March 12.—(Copyright, 1904.)
The final set in the tennis tournament was favored by glorious weather. Mr. H. E. Doherty beat Mr. J. G. Ritchie in the final for men's singles, thus winning outright the cup and \$600, having won for three successive years.

Mr. H. L. Doherty and Miss Kentish divided the open mixed doubles with Mr. R. Doherty and Mrs. Adams.

The tournament has been remarkable for the brilliant form of the brothers Doherty.

Pneumonia Weather.
From the New York Herald.
"The wide prevalence of coughs, colds, grip and pneumonia marks the coming of severe and protracted winter weather the like of which we have not seen for many a year. The stubborn persistence of catarrhal troubles is also a marked feature of the climate, and the influenza which follows a long siege of rapidly changing low and raw temperatures. The man is also carried with her the family Bible and records, and when the child grew up he received the family record, which in time went to August, who kept it in his hands. When he returned to Serbia he took the Bible with him, but the book and all the records were lost, as they disappeared when he died in Belgrade."

CIVIL WAR VETERAN DEAD.
Captain Macklind Was in City's Employ Thirty-Five Years.

Captain Thomas H. Macklind, a Civil War veteran, and an old employee of the city, died at his residence, No. 232 Eugenia street, yesterday morning of congestion of the lungs. It was his seventy-ninth birthday.

Captain Macklind had been ill for only a few days, and had been working as a street-car track inspector up to a short time ago. With the exception of a few months, he had been in the city's employ for thirty-five years. He had also served as assistant city engineer. In the Civil War he was an officer in the Twelfth Missouri Cavalry. He was born in Philadelphia, but came to Missouri as a civil engineer for the Iron Mountain Railroad in 1856, when that road was building.

He leaves, besides a widow, two sons, William R. Macklind of St. Louis and Thomas V. Macklind of Danville, Ill. The burial will be in Bellefontaine Cemetery. The funeral arrangements have not been completed.

WILL RACE ON SKIS TO SUMMIT OF MONT BLANC.
SPECIAL BY CABLE TO THE NEW YORK HERALD AND THE ST. LOUIS REPUBLIC.
Geneva, March 12.—(Copyright, 1904.)
A remarkable ascent of Mont Blanc was accomplished recently by Herr Mylius on skis, and excited great enthusiasm in Alpine circles.

A race has been arranged between an Englishman named Rickman and a Norwegian to the summit of Mont Blanc on skis and back for a purse of \$1,000. The conditions are that each competitor must write his name on the wall of the Vallot Observatory. The race is exciting great interest.

The Orator's Trouble.
Professor: "Now, Demosthenes was a peerless orator, and he had to contend with great difficulty."
Freshman: "That's so. He had to speak in Greek, didn't he?"

MOVING PICTURES OF POPE.
Leo's Daily Life Will Be Shown at Odéon.

All arrangements have been completed for the illustrated lecture on the life of Pope Leo XIII to be given to-morrow night at the Odéon.

Besides stereoscopic views of the house in which Pope Leo was born, scenes of his life and a photographic reproduction of his vesture, the following moving pictures will show:

Pope Leo in open sedan chair in upper loggia, accompanied by a large retinue of Noble Guards, Thiergymen and attendants, a privilege but few visitors to Rome ever have, and in a closed sedan chair. But as he passed in front of the camera, surrounded by his picturesque guard, he leans out and blesses the apparatus and operator.

Other pictures show him, accompanied by Mgr. Della Volpe, passing along the picturesque, rose-bordered walk of the garden to his seat upon his favorite stone bench, and his favorite nephew, Count Camillo Pecci, driving through the Vatican garden in the long-disused state limousine and as he bows his blessing from the throne in the garden.

TILLMAN'S FRIENDS ALARMED.
Abcess on Tonsil Does Not Respond to Treatment.

WASHINGTON, March 12.—Senator Tillman's condition is causing his friends considerable alarm, on account of the refusal of the abcess on the left tonsil to respond to treatment. It has been lanced daily, the third operation being performed to-day by Doctor Charles Richardson. In the meantime, Senator Tillman is unable to swallow solid food, and his breathing is seriously hampered.

For the last four nights the patient has snatched but a few hours of restless sleep, with the result that his general condition is adversely affected. He is very nervous, but so far his temperature has remained almost normal.

His family and physicians hope the inflammation in his throat can be sufficiently reduced in a few days to permit his removal to South Carolina.

ONE STEP MORE
Will be fatal to the sleep-walker. Will he draw back or will he take the final, fatal step? A great many people are in peril like the sleep-walker. They are day by day. The time comes when one more step away from health is fatal. The man who has suffered from indigestion or gastric trouble goes some night to a dinner and returns home to find he has taken that last step from health which can never be taken back.

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